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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of three month(s) to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed August 15, 2001 from October 15, 2001 to January 15, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, enclosed is the requisite extension fee of \$460.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application. The Assistant Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 8039/1122. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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